(*b*) the amounts that they have spent for restoration works ?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) The new tanks were constructed but minor tanks restored are as follows :

	1951-52	*1952-53*	*1953-54*
Belur ...	11	16	12
Alur ...	...	...	...
Saklespur.	2	4	8

		1953-54
		Rs.
(*b*) Belur	...	1,14,547
Alur	...	13,500
Saklespur	..	45,835

Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Are the Government aware that all these tanks in Belur, Alur and Saklespur Taluks have been silted up ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—No.

Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Are Government aware that they are not providing adequate funds to desilt these tanks ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—In Malnad areas, it is very difficult to desilt the tanks. It is very difficult to get the contractors also. In some cases it is possible. But in a majority of cases it is difficult to take up on account of the seasonal conditions. In the alternative, restoration works are ordered.

Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Are Government aware that all these tanks are petty tanks ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—All these tanks are minor tanks.

Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Will you provide adequate funds in the next Budget for this purpose ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—It has been provided in this year's Budget alone.

Tank in Maravanji Village in Channagiri Taluk (Construction)

Q.—110. Sri L. SIDDAPPA (Channagiri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have made some provision in the current year's budget for constructing a new tank in Maravanji village in Channagiri taluk ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that for want of sanction to the estimate the work is not commenced ;

(*c*) whether they would accord sanction to the estimate in question and direct the local officers to commence the work during the current year ?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The estimate is under consideration.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—Is the estimate of this tank before Government ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—It is being scrutinised.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—Now that the working season has commenced, will Government take early steps to sanction ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—We have not yet received the enquiry report. We are waiting for the same

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—Please get it early.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—We will get it early.

Cattle theft, house-breaking, crops-smuggling, etc., in Hassan District.

Q.—15. Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA (Belur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a number of thefts such as cattle theft, house-breaking, crops smuggling were reported to have been committed all over the District of Hassan during the year 1953-54 and 1954-55, till the end of June :

(*b*) the number of cases reported and the number detected ?